

Scott Masten

Subject: stop animal testing

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 11:57 PM

From: Debbie Osmon <nurnie@webtv.net>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

use other methods available
innocent creatures being poisoned...why?
how can anyone be so cruel?

Scott Masten

Subject: Stop Poisoning Test on Newborn Primates

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 10:30 PM

From: LINDA M ZOELLNER <zoellnerl@sbcglobal.net>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Scott Masten
Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection
National Toxicology Program
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
P.O. Box 12233, MD A3-07
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

Dear Dr. Masten:

Please stop the horrid pain that is inflicted on all animals.

I feel that your testing is unnecessary and cruel. I demand that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Evaluation and Coordination.

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers.

Sincerely,

Linda Zoellner
Muskego, WI

Scott Masten

Subject: <no subject>

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 8:53 PM

From: naughtu mathur <naughtumathur@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Honorable Dr. Scott Masten ,

This is to request you to kindly read this letter and take immediate, positive action.

THIS IS TO REMIND YOU THAT ANIMALS ARE NOT TEST TUBES WITH WHISKERS. WE DEMAND THAT YOU PULL THE PLUG ON THE ANIMAL TESTS RECOMMENDED IN JUNE BY THE NTP INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE FOR CHEMICAL EVALUATION AND COORDINATION.

Each year, YOU spend millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What's worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grape seed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

True to form, the NTP's latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals:

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A „private individual“ recommended that the dietary supplement „bitter orange extract“ undergo „subchronic“ toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals.

ALL ANIMALS ARE ALSO CREATION OF THE SAME GOD WHO CREATED HUMANS SO KINDLY HELP THE INNOCENT, SPEECHLESS ANIMALS.

Thank you on behalf of animals.

With warm regards,
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Subject: Stop it now

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 8:25 PM

From: Graham Phillips <grahamwphillips@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Animal testing is wrong and I'm sure that in your heart you know it. So don't condone it.

Yours

Graham

Scott Masten

Subject: No animal testing

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 8:21 PM

From: Jan Novotny <jnovotny@comcast.net>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

NO ANIMAL TESTING!!!!

Scott Masten

Subject: animal testing

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 7:26 PM

From: Joanie Connors <jconnors@highstream.net>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Scott Masten
Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection
National Toxicology Program
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
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919-541-3647 (fax)
Dear Dr. Masten:

I am writing to express my concerns about the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. As a psychologist, I know that animal tests are important ways to expand our knowledge in the sciences, but they must be done with awareness and balance.

Some sort of oversight should be built into the system to prevent unnecessary research that leads to the suffering of animals. Animal psychologists have proven that mammals have the same basic range of feelings as humans and that many nonmammals can suffer.

It is important not to take the public and government trust that you hold as a license to freely use animals for whatever study might appeal. In psychology we have highly developed research ethics which mandate the importance of balancing the benefit to the public against the risks to research subjects both human and nonhuman.

Please try to prevent unnecessary animal research and be especially careful when the research requires pain and suffering in the animals studied. Please see that some research ethics are implemented and used to screen the studies that you approve. And please monitor the treatment of animals by scientists in the studies done under your authority.

Sincerely,
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Subject: animal testing

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 6:29 PM

From: Kims710@aol.com

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I am asking that you stop the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you,

Kim Smith

Scott Masten

Subject: NTP

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 5:03 PM

From: JGBrenner1@aol.com

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Cc: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers! I hope you will stop animal tests as recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Scott Masten

Subject: Animal Testing

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 3:56 PM

From: Jennifer Todd <model_goddess@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please stop hurting our brothers and sisters!!!!

We Are the Animals Voice, Let us not Speak with Violence.

On the road to retirement? Check out MSN Life Events for advice on how to get there! <http://lifeevents.msn.com/category.aspx?cid=Retirement>

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Subject: NTP chemical toxin testing

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 3:38 PM

From: deborah byron <laquerencia@cox-internet.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten:

I am writing to urge you to please put an end to the barbaric practice of testing chemical toxins on laboratory animals as recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Evaluation and Coordination.

Injecting newborn primates and/or force-feeding poisons for months at a time will only confirm what common sense and available data already tell us.

Please, stop the misguided and torturous treatment of these dear helpless creatures immediately.

Sincerely,
Deborah Byron, Ph.D.
Fayetteville, AR

Scott Masten

Subject: Stop animal testing

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 2:50 PM

From: DREADHEADARTIST@aol.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Scott Masten,

I urge you to stop testing on animals. They are sentient beings with central nervous systems, just like humans, that allow them to feel everything that you are doing to them. They do not deserve to be treated this way. They have their own desire to live and to live the way their ancestors have lived before them, in the wild, free of human interference, free of torture. We do not have the right to torture and terrorize other animals just for the benefit of humans. We should learn to coexist with other animals and not exploit them. I ask that you stop animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you,

April A. Tchiguka

Scott Masten

Subject: Animal Testing

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 2:47 PM

From: Andrea Russell <andrea_cupcake@msn.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please as animals are not test tubes with whiskers, please pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Sincerely,

Andrea Russell

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Subject: toxicology testing recommendations

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 1:34 PM

From: Jeanne Zasadil <jeannezasadil@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Why are you retesting known hazardous substances such as turpentine and kerosene on living beings. Enough already.

Check out Election 2004 for up-to-date election news, plus voter tools and more! <http://special.msn.com/msn/election2004.armx>

Scott Masten

Subject: please read

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 1:29 PM

From: RACHAEL WALKER <RachaelWalker@mail.weber.edu>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I understand you are probably busy but I recently discovered the grim reality of animal testing. My friends and family say it is all lies and no one would really do such a thing. I got your name from a reliable source so, if you are one of those who would do such a thing please help me understand why human beings, the most elite intelligent species can not seem to have enough compassion to not stuff chemicals we would never ingest ourselves down the throat or into the eyes of a helpless victim. If this is true someday it will get out and you will have to face the many of Americans blinded to the fact that humans, you, really could and do such things.

Scott Masten

Subject: Animal testing and experimentation

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 9:48 AM

From: Ooshta@aol.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Sirs:

If the following exerpt is true, I add my voice to those crying out for stopping of these unnecessary testings:

"Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What's worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

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Scott Masten

Subject: animal testing!!

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 7:49 AM

From: Christine Houben <christinehouben@hotmail.com>

Dear Dr. Olden,

Dear Dr. Masten

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I am writing today to remind you that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, as well as to demand that your agency pulls the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

I thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Subject: NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 2:45 AM

From: Tricia Panitz <tpanitz@cape.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,

I am writing in regard to the animal tests for toxicity that the Committee for Evaluation and Coordination routinely recommends. I request that these tests be halted and that more effective and efficient non-animal tests be used in their place.

Using animals to test for toxicity is crude and barbarous, and often produces conflicting and useless data as I'm sure you are aware. Results from animals cannot be directly extrapolated to humans, so the whole animal based approach is misleading and incorrect. As a consequence, substances that are dangerous or may be dangerous to people, especially children, continue to remain on the market. It is especially interesting to note that the EPA has not banned a single chemical in over 10 years, despite massive testing of substances. Either the testing method is flawed, or the testing is just being done to protect industry, despite claims that it is done to protect the public.

The animal suffering entailed in these programs defies description, and, I believe, should be witnessed by anyone purporting to support such testing. For example, some animals have substances pumped directly into their stomachs, which chemicals cause them to rupture, resulting in an excruciating death. But still no chemicals are banned by the EPA. What is the point of all this?

Please halt all animal based testing immediately. In its place institute validated non-animal tests (animal tests have never been officially validated, by the way, another interesting fact). More and more of these are appearing, and the European Union recently approved a bevy of them. If Europe can move in this direction, I don't see why the US can't.

Yours truly,
Patricia Panitz

Scott Masten

Subject: Please pull the plug

Date: Monday, October 11, 2004 12:36 AM

From: Sage Wagner <gunghojoe@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I would like to remind the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and demand that it pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank You,
Sage Wagner